

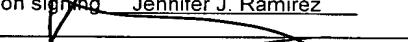


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of : Timothy Noel Mills et al
Serial No. : 10/019,741
Filed : May 2, 2002
For : Optical Fibre Probe for Photoacoustic Material Analysis
Examiner : Peter J Macchiarolo
Art Unit : 2879
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 22, 2004

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir,

In response to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2004 with reference to the above identified application it is requested that the application be amended as detailed below.